

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A massage device for the head or scalp has flexible, metallic prongs or fingers. The massage device includes a handle and a plurality of flexible, elongated members protruding from the handle. Each of the plurality of flexible, elongated members are bendable. In one embodiment, the handle includes a hollow body, end caps, and a solid insert member. The plurality of flexible, elongated members are attached to the handle by compression fitting between the end caps and the insert member. In another embodiment, the handle includes a hollow body, end caps, and a solid resilient filler material. The plurality of flexible, elongated members are attached to the handle by the solid resilient filler material, which may be solidified around the plurality of flexible, elongated members. In a further embodiment, the plurality of flexible, elongated members are made of nitinol material, which is a shape memory alloy. This permits the user to restore the plurality of flexible, elongated members to their original shape by heating of the nitinol wires. In another embodiment, each of the plurality of flexible, elongated members has a portion which is bendable and the bending thereof is electrically controllable. The bending may be accomplished by use of a plurality of strips composed of electro-responsive material. Such materials can change in length, for example, under application of electrical current or by heating thereof using electrical current.

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